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Andrew Jackson to John Coffee, March 26, 1812, from Correspondence of Andrew Jackson. Edited by John Spencer Bassett.

TO JOHN COFFEE.

Hermitage, March 26, 1812, 1 Oclock P. M.

Sir: I this moment met an express on my arival home anouncing that the alarm of yesterday, which was brought by express, is groundless— that it originated by some villians who was encamped on the Indian land who had a wish to get possession of some houses possessed by others, who Painted themselves, raised the indian yell and fired, those in possession immediately ran and gave the alarm, and as it spread it magnified, when it got to Nashville it had increased to what you will see in the enclosed you will therefore countermand the orders of yesterday for assembling the Vollunteers and if any should be assembled order that they be immediately discharged. I am in haste yrs. etc etc etc